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Louisiana Milk Production

Louisiana dairies produced an estimated 66 million pounds of milk during the April-June 2010 quarter, down 13 percent from the same period in 2009. The number of milk cows averaged 20,000 head during the quarter, down 13 percent from last year.



United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major states during June totaled 15.2 billion pounds, up 2.7 percent from June 2009. May revised production, at 15.8 billion pounds, was up 1.5 percent from May 2009. The May revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds, or 0.3 percent, from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,816 pounds for June, 67 pounds above June 2009.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.6 million head, 87,000 head fewer than June 2009, but 10,000 head more than May 2010.

Milk production in the U.S. during the April - June quarter totaled 49.7 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from the April - June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.1 million head, 151,000 head fewer than the same period last year.

Milk Production: Selected States, April – June, 2009 – 2010

		-June Cows ¹	April-June Milk Production ²		
Selected States	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	Thou	ısands	Million Pounds		
Alabama	11	11	45	43	
Arkansas	13	13	46	43	
Louisiana	23	20	76	66	
Mississippi	18.5	17.0	70	63	
Oklahoma	60	57	260	252	
Tennessee	56	53	246	232	
Texas	429	410	2,299	2,260	
23 Major States ³	8,463	8,337	45,217	46,127	
United States	9,262	9,111	48,888	49,724	

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

²Excludes milk sucked by calves.

³ Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

United States Wheat Production

Winter Wheat production is forecast at 1.5 billion bushels, up two percent from the June 1 forecast but down one percent from 2009. Based on July 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 46.9 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushel from last month and 2.7 bushels above last year. If realized, this will be tied for the third highest yield on record, trailing only 1999 and 2008. Expected grain area totals 32.1 million acres, down seven percent from last year but unchanged from the Acreage Report released on June 30, 2010. Harvest in the 18 major producing states was 54 percent complete by July 4, slightly ahead of last year and the five-year average.

As of July 4, harvest progress was behind normal in all Hard Red Winter States except Kansas, where progress was four points ahead of the five-year average. Harvest in Oklahoma and Texas was 90 and 78 percent complete, respectively. Yield forecasts were unchanged from last month in Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas. Forecasted yield in Colorado and Kansas increased from last month. State yields in Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska and Texas all rank in the top five on record.

As of July 4, harvest progress in the Soft Red Winter growing area was ahead of normal in all major states except Michigan, where progress was three points behind the five-year average. Yield forecasts were down from last month in most Soft Red Winter states. The largest declines were in North Carolina and Virginia, both down nine bushels from last month. Extreme heat and dry weather produced adverse conditions in both states.

Winter Wheat - July 1, 2010

	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
Selected		Ind		Ind		Ind
States	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels	
Arkansas	390	170	44.0	52.0	17,160	8,840
Colorado	2,450	2,300	40.0	40.0	98,000	92,000
Kansas	8,800	8,200	42.0	45.0	369,600	369,000
Louisiana	175	1/	56.0	1/	9,800	1/
Mississippi	165	105	50.0	50.0	8,250	5,250
Oklahoma	3,500	3,900	22.0	33.0	77,000	128,700
Texas	2,450	3,550	25.0	35.0	61,250	124,250
United States	34,485	32,085	44.2	46.9	1,522,718	1,505,493

¹ Not available until September 30, 2010

2009 Pecan Production Up

Production of all pecans in the United States in 2009 totaled 291.8 million pounds, up 50 percent from 2008. Production of improved varieties, at 240.7 million pounds, was up 44 percent from the previous year, while the native and seedling output totaled 51.1 million pounds, compared to the 27.4 million pounds the previous year.

The average price of all pecans in the United States was \$1.43 per pound, up \$0.09 cents from 2008.

The value of utilized production in the U.S. was \$417 million in 2009, up 60 percent from the previous year. New Mexico led all states in value of pecan production with \$120 million, Georgia was second with \$115 million and Texas was third with \$89 million.

United States Pecans

Variety	Utilized Production			Price Per Pound		
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009
		1,000 Poun			Dollars	
Improved Varieties		,				
Alabama	10,000	7,400	12,800	0.890	1.270	1.200
Arizona	23,000	17,500	20,000	1.600	1.450	1.720
Arkansas	1,500	1,000	1,300	1.090	1.360	1.020
California	4,400	3,750	3,920	1.780	1.310	1.510
Florida	1,700	1,400	1,500	1.000	2.000	1.200
Georgia	135,000	66,000	79,000	1.100	1.470	1.330
Louisiana	3,000	1,000	2,500	1.200	1.350	1.300
Mississippi	2,200	900	2,300	1.150	1.300	1.150
Missouri	2	110	200	1.200	1.400	1.350
New Mexico	74,000	43,000	68,000	1.300	1.450	1.760
North Carolina ¹	160	600	n/a	1.510	1.300	n/a
Oklahoma	3,000	1,000	3,000	1.350	1.600	1.500
South Carolina	1,500	3,000	1,200	1.160	1.210	1.300
Texas	44,000	20,000	45,000	1.350	1.220	1.640
United States	303,462	166,660	240,720	1.230	1.420	1.540
Native and Seedling	ĺ	,	,			
Alabama	2,000	600	1,200	0.660	0.860	0.740
Arkansas	800	500	1,200	0.760	1.020	0.930
Florida	200	300	1,600	0.700	1.100	1.100
Georgia	15,000	4,000	11,000	0.720	1.000	0.890
Kansas	500	1,900	1,000	0.900	1.000	1.300
Louisiana	11,000	4,000	6,500	0.700	0.850	0.750
Mississippi	800	600	700	0.700	1.000	0.650
Missouri	3	1,020	1,610	1.000	1.050	1.200
North Carolina ¹	40	100	n/a	0.810	0.600	n/a
Oklahoma	27,000	4,000	10,500	0.750	0.800	0.900
South Carolina	500	400	800	0.900	0.650	0.880
Texas	26,000	10,000	15,000	0.700	0.825	1.030
United States	83,843	27,420	51,110	0.722	0.879	0.934
All Pecans	ĺ	,	,			
Alabama	12,000	8,000	14,000	0.852	1.240	1.160
Arizona	23,000	17,500	20,000	1.600	1.450	1.720
Arkansas	2,300	1,500	2,500	0.975	1.250	0.977
California	4,400	3,750	3,920	1.780	1.310	1.510
Florida	1,900	1,700	3,100	0.968	1.840	1.150
Georgia	150,000	70,000	90,000	1.060	1.440	1.280
Kansas	500	1,900	1,000	0.900	1.000	1.300
Louisiana	14,000	5,000	9,000	0.807	0.950	0.903
Mississippi	3,000	1,500	3,000	1.030	1.180	1.030
Missouri	5	1,130	1,810	1.000	1.080	1.220
New Mexico	74,000	43,000	68,000	1.300	1.450	1.760
North Carolina ¹	200	700	n/a	1.370	1.200	n/a
Oklahoma	30,000	5,000	13,500	0.810	0.960	1.030
South Carolina	2,000	3,400	2,000	1.100	1.140	1.130
Texas	70,000	30,000	60,000	1.110	1.090	1.490
United States	387,305	194,080	291,830	1.120	1.340	1.430

¹ Estimates discontinued in 2009.

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